

Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Wednesday November 5, 2014  
3:00 PM  
Springfield Office  
830 South Spring Street  
Springfield, IL 62704

Members Present

Bill Bogdan, Chairperson  
Bonnie Dohogne  
Brad Guidi  
Mary Kay Rizzolo (via phone)  
Randy Staton (via Phone)  
Julie Stover

Staff Present

Sheila Romano, Director  
Janinna Hendricks  
Jennifer Harrison  
Vanessa Morris  
Sandy Ryan

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**AGENDA ITEM: Call to Order**

The Executive Committee meeting with the Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities was held on November 5, 2014. Bill Bogdan, Chairperson presiding and Sheila Romano, Director present. Chairperson Bogdan called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

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**AGENDA ITEM: 1<sup>st</sup> Consent Agenda**

Motion: Approval of the September 10, 2014 Executive Committee Meeting minutes.

Made By: Brad Guidi

Second: Bonnie Dohogne

Vote: Motion carried unanimously

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**AGENDA ITEM: Chairperson's Report**

Chairperson Bogdan reported on the 9<sup>th</sup> annual Speak Up and Speak Out (SUSO) Summit held on November 3 – November 5, 2014 at the Hilton Hotel in Springfield. The event had over 500 attendees. The Chairperson thanked staff and the SUSO subcommittee for all of their work on planning this year's SUSO event. A discussion ensued regarding selecting future SUSO dates that do not conflict with state and federal elections.

The Chairperson reported that the 2014 Executive Committee election will be held tomorrow, November 6, 2014 at the Council meeting. Randy Staton is the only current Executive Committee member who is ineligible to serve on the 2015 Executive Committee as he has already served three consecutive terms.

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**AGENDA ITEM: Director's Report**

Director Romano thanked staff for their continued support during her time transitioning back in the office.

The Director reported that Pam Gorbett is retiring. Ms. Gorbett will attend the Council meeting tomorrow.

Sandy Ryan reported on the timeline for the new State Plan development. The State Plan will be submitted by August 15, 2016.

Director Romano reported that Aaron Bishop, Commissioner for the Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AIDD) will be doing a site visit to Chicago on November 14, 2014. The meeting with Commissioner Bishop will be held at our Chicago office with Chairperson Bogdan, Director Romano and Sandy Ryan.

The funds available chart was distributed. Janinna Hendricks reported on the Council's current funds available chart.

The Director informed the Committee that the Council still plans to pursue a Rates project.

Randy Staton, Chair for the Education and Employment (E &E) Committee reported that E &E Committee will be discussing a potential funding project. The project will focus on licensed childcare centers and it will tie in with the federal grant "Race to the Top".

Mary Kay Rizzolo, Chair for Community Inclusion and Housing (CIH) Committee reported that CIH Committee will also be discussing the development of a Call for Investment (CFI) to address two of the Committee's targets. The CFI would be developed for release in January 2015.

Director Romano reported on the Consumer Stipend project. The current project is expected to end on December 31, 2014. Since the current project has funds remaining, the consensus from the Committee was to extend the project to December 2015. Discussion about next steps will continue at the January 2015 Executive Committee meeting. Additional information on current outreach will be supplied to the Committee for this discussion.

Director Romano stated that staff is developing contact cards for Council members based on a suggestion at the September Retreat. In addition, a resource list of staff and their roles is also being developed based upon a suggestion from the Retreat.

Lora McCurdy with the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) will present at the November Council meeting on the new Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) federal rules. In addition, she will provide an update on the 1115 Waiver.

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**AGENDA ITEM: Project Management**

Jennifer Harrison reported on the Rebalancing project. The Rebalancing leadership team continues to work on developing the Coalition. The Coalition held a meeting on October 14, 2014 in Pontiac with twelve entities represented. The Coalition's next meeting will be held on December 11, 2014.

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**AGENDA ITEM: Old Business**

None to report.

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**AGENDA ITEM: New Business**

Director Romano reported that the Council currently has a public awareness grant with the Arc of Illinois. Director Romano requested guidance from the Executive Committee regarding public awareness next steps. The current public awareness project is a direct grant that ends September 2015. After discussion about a direct grant or a Call for Investment (CFI), the consensus was to pursue development of a CFI. Information about the current project and schedule for developing a CFI will be presented at the January Executive Committee meeting.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Bonnie Dohogne announced that Representative Robin Gabel visited her son's home. A story on her son's experience of living in the community will be listed on the Going Home website at <http://goinghomeillinois.org>.

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**AGENDA ITEM: Adjourn**

Motion: Move to adjourn at 4:15 PM

Made by: Brad Guidi

Second: Julie Stover

Vote: Motion carried unanimously

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